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- Thile streptomycin figures on the 1953 production list of VEB 1. Jenapharm, Jena, and samples of streptomycin were exhibited at the Leipzig Fall Fair in early September 1953, production of this item has actually not progressed beyond the laboratory development stage. Jenapharm has so far been unable to solve difficulties inherent in large-scale production. Of the 600 kilogram quota planned in the 1953 production plan, hardly one percent had been actually produced by the end of the second quarter 1953. Accordingly, the plan figure was revised to 60 kilograms for 1953, but it is practically certain that even this reduced quota will not be fulfilled.
- Jenacharm now is trying to overcome difficulties by making use of a nutrient solution obtained from soya bean flour. Previously a sugar and starch solution had been used.

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